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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: TECH IAEA LY

SUBJECT: RESEARCH REACTOR SALE TO LIBYA

REF: IAEA VIENNA 10473

1. MISSION HAS NOT YET RECEIVED FORMAL COMMUNICATION FROM IAEA FOR CONCURRENCE IN SUPPLY OF RESEARCH REACTOR TO LIBYA BUT SECRETARIAT WILL HAVE TO SUBMIT REQUEST NOT LATER THAN NEXT WEEK WHEN RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL RETURNS TO VIENNA.

2. IN MEANTIME, LIBYAN AMBASSADOR AL-GHADAMSI RAISED SUBJECT WITH DCM MOWINCKEL ON SOCIAL OCCASION NIGHT OF JANUARY 7. AMBASSADOR STATED THAT GOL HAD REACHED AGREEMENT WITH A (UNSPECIFIED) US FIRM FOR SALE OF A REACTOR. HE ASKED SPECIFICALLY IF THERE WAS A LIKELIHOOD THAT USG MIGHT PREVENT THIS SALE AS HAPPENED PREVIOUSLY IN THE PORPOSED SALE OF MILITARY AIRCRAFT. AL-GHADAMSI REQUESTED MOWINCKEL TO GET HIM A CLEAR AND UNEQUIVOCAL ANSWER RE THE POLICY OF THE USG WITH RESPECT TO LECENSING THE EXPORT OF THE REACTOR TO LIBYA.

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3. MOWINCKEL WILL TAKE NO INITIATIVE TO RESPOND TO

QUERY. IF AL-GHADAMSI FOLLOWS UP, MOWINCKEL WILL SAY
THAT HE WAS UNABLE TO FIND OUT THE ANSWER LOCALLY AND
THE QUESTION HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO WASHINGTON.

4. QUITE APART FROM LIBYAN AMBASSADOR' INTER-
VENTION, MISSION WILL HAVE TO RESPOND IN A MATTER OF DAYS
TO SECRETARIAT INQUIRY WITH RESPECT TO OUR POSITION AS
POTENTIAL SUPPLIER. PORTER

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